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SUBJECT:DEMARCHE RE TARIFF INCREASES ON FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES

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1. EMBASSY MAY, AT ITS DISCRETION, WISH TO DELIVER
FOLLOWING AIDE MEMOIRE DURING ITS DISCUSSIONS WITH GOC
OFFICIALS (REF.).

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2. BEGIN TEXT:

THE UNITED STATES IS MOST CONCERNED THAT THE GOVERNMENT
OF CANADA IS CONSIDERING TARIFF INCREASES AND OTHER
TRADE RESTRICTIVE MEASURES ON IMPORTS OF FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES. ALTHOUGH WE ARE SYMPATHETIC TO THE PROBLEMS
OF THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURAL INDUSTRY, AND APPRECIATIVE

OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA'S EFFORTS TO EXPLAIN THE REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED INCREASES, WE NOTE THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSAL COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT ALMOST 490 MILLION CAN DOLLARS IN U.S. EXPORTS TO CANADA.

THE UNITED STATES REQUESTS THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BE EXEMPTED FROM THE PROPOSED TARIFF INCREASES AND FROM ANY

OTHER CHARGES ENVISIONED IN THE TARIFF BOARD REPORT: POTATOES; CANNED PEACHES AND FRUIT MIXTURES; CANNED CORN, TOMATOES AND TOMATO PASTE; LETTUCE; FRESH PEACHES AND NECTARINES; FRESH AND FROZEN STRAWBERRIES; FRESH CHERRIES; FRESH ASPARAGUS; AND ONIONS. WE BELIEVE EXEMPTION OF THESE ITEMS OF MAJOR U.S. SUPPLIER INTEREST WILL SUBSTANTIALLY FACILITATE A SETTLEMENT UNDER THE TERMS OF GATT ARTICLE 28 BY REDUCING THE SCOPE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF GATT ARTICLE 28, THE UNITED STATES WILL EXPECT TO RECEIVE FULL COMPENSATION FOR THE REMAINING ITEMS SUBJECT TO TRADE RESTRICTIVE MEASURES.

WE ARE ALSO DISAPPOINTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA IS CONSIDERING THE IMPOSITION OF TARIFF INCREASES AND OTHER TRADE-RESTRICTIVE MEASURES OF THIS SCALE DURING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AN ACTIVE STAGE OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSALS WILL MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE A SUCCESSFUL MTN. SUCH ACTIONS WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY REDUCE THE BENEFITS CANADA MIGHT OTHERWISE RECEIVE FROM THE MTN BY FORCING THE UNITED STATES TO REVISE ITS AGRICULTURAL OFFER. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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